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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ohler L. KINNEY Jr., *et al.*)

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For: COOLING TOWER TOP METHOD AND APPARATUS)

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GROUP 1700RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2002, having a one-month shortened statutory period of response set to expire January 27, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the subject application in light of the following remarks.

REMARKSSTATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-35 are pending in this application.

OFFICE ACTION

(1) The Office Action has required restriction to one of the following groups under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-13, drawn to a subcombination, classified in class 428, subclass 131;
- II. Claim 14, drawn to a subcombination, classified in class 261, subclass 110;